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THE LABOR MARKET REPORT

TENNESSEE

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DATA FOR SEPTEMBER 1983

TENNESSEE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

	September 1982				August 1983 Revised				September 1983			
	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate
U. S.	110,546,000	99,851,000	10,695,000	9.7	113,578,000	103,167,000	10,411,000	9.2	112,197,000	102,366,000	9,830,000	8.8
TENNESSEE	2,140,700	1,898,600	242,100	11.3	2,169,000	1,951,700	217,300	10.0	2,179,800	1,977,400	202,400	9.3
SMSA AREAS												
CHATTANOOGA	196,300	177,800	18,500	9.4	196,700	179,400	17,300	8.8	198,200	181,300	16,900	8.5
KNOXVILLE	233,800	213,800	20,000	8.6	235,600	213,600	22,000	9.3	234,600	214,200	20,400	8.7
MEMPHIS	407,000	367,300	39,700	9.8	405,600	370,300	35,300	8.7	406,500	371,900	34,600	8.5
NASHVILLE	444,000	407,100	36,900	8.3	442,700	411,200	31,500	7.1	444,500	413,900	30,600	6.9
TRI CITIES	186,100	164,900	21,200	11.4	193,300	174,000	19,300	10.0	193,000	175,200	17,800	9.2

Unemployment Rate Decreases Significantly

The unemployment rate declined to 9.3%, a change of 0.7 percentage points. This was the lowest rate in 23 months. Employment increased by 25,700 over August and unemployment dropped by 14,900. The U.S. unemployment rate decreased to 8.8%, a change of 0.4 percentage points.

Significant gains in nonagricultural employment occurred in both the manufacturing and nonmanufacturing sectors. The largest increases reported in manufacturing were in electricial machinery (900 or 2.3%) and transportation equipment (800 or 3.6%). In the nonmanufacturing sector, large increases occurred in government (16,900 or 6.0%), transportation, communications and public utilities (3,100 or 3.9%), and trade (2600 or 0.7%).

The unemployment rate decreased in 83 counties, increased in 9 counties and remained unchanged in 3 counties. Clay County reported the lowest rate of 5.1 percent while Scott County had the highest rate at 26.4 percent.

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STATEWIDE

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Net Change Sept. 1982 to Sept. 1983	Net Change Aug. 1983 to Sept. 1983
TOTAL	1,686.4	1,681.1	1,704.1	+17.7	+23.0
Manufacturing	465.5	474.6	477.4	+11.9	+2.8
Durable Goods	199.8	205.9	208.9	+9.1	+3.0
Lumber	15.5	16.4	16.6	+1.1	+0.2
Furniture and Fixtures	20.5	21.1	21.1	+0.6	0.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	12.1	13.1	13.5	+1.4	+0.4
Primary Metal Industries	16.7	16.6	17.0	+0.3	+0.4
Fabricated Metal Products	28.6	29.0	29.4	+0.8	+0.4
Nonelectrical Machinery	30.0	31.1	30.6	+0.6	-0.5
Electrical Machinery	37.5	38.5	39.4	+1.9	+0.9
Transportation Equipment	21.9	22.5	23.3	+1.4	+0.8
Precision Instruments & Ordnance	7.4	7.2	7.5	+0.1	+0.3
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	9.6	10.4	10.5	+0.9	+0.1
Nondurable Goods	265.7	268.7	268.5	+2.8	-0.2
Food Products	39.3	38.3	38.3	-1.0	0.0
Meat Products	7.0	7.0	7.0	0.0	0.0
Dairy Products	3.4	3.7	3.7	+0.3	0.0
Tobacco	1.2	1.3	1.3	+0.1	0.0
Textile Mills	25.0	26.3	26.5	+1.5	+0.2
Knitting Mills	11.8	12.5	12.4	+0.6	-0.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	2.2	2.3	2.3	+0.1	0.0
Apparel	64.9	67.0	67.2	+2.3	+0.2
Paper	17.5	15.6	15.8	-1.7	+0.2
Printing & Publishing	26.5	28.3	27.6	+1.1	-0.7
Chemicals	54.7	54.2	54.1	-0.6	-0.1
Ind. Inorganic & Organic Chem.	23.0	22.6	22.5	-0.5	-0.1
Petroleum Refining, Etc.	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
Rubber	19.7	19.8	20.1	+0.4	+0.3
Leather	16.2	17.2	16.9	+0.7	-0.3
Nonmanufacturing	1,220.9	1,206.5	1,226.7	+5.8	+20.2
Mining	10.2	8.6	8.8	-1.4	+0.2
Construction	71.9	69.2	68.9	-3.0	-0.3
Trans., Comm. & Public Utilities	82.8	80.5	83.6	+0.8	+3.1
Trade	366.0	364.6	367.2	+1.2	+2.6
Wholesale Trade	102.7	98.6	98.7	-4.0	+0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	57.4	55.2	55.2	-2.2	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	45.3	43.4	43.5	-1.8	+0.1
Retail Trade	263.3	266.0	268.5	+5.2	+2.5
Retail General Merchandise	38.2	38.1	38.7	+0.5	+0.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	79.6	80.4	80.1	+0.5	-0.3
Banking	26.9	27.4	27.0	+0.1	-0.4
Insurance Carriers	20.1	19.3	19.1	-1.0	-0.2
Services	318.3	321.9	319.9	+6.6	-2.0
Government	292.1	281.3	298.2	+6.1	+16.9
Federal	63.6	61.8	62.7	-0.9	+0.9
State & Local	228.5	219.5	235.5	+7.0	+16.0

1/Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs (rather the people) by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households and unpaid family workers are excluded.

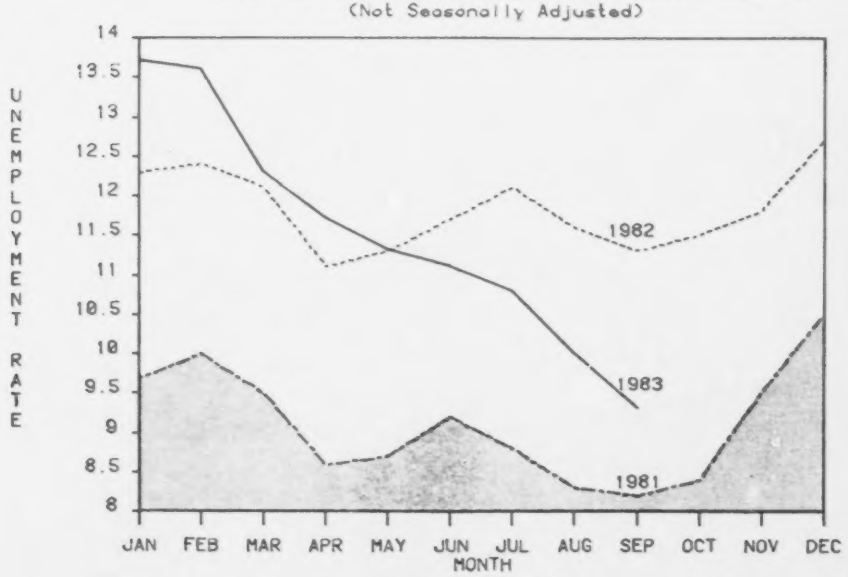
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL Aug. 1983	TOTAL Sept. 1983	FEMALE Aug. 1983	FEMALE Sept. 1983	NON-WHITE Aug. 1983	NON-WHITE Sept. 1983	VETERAN Aug. 1983	VETERAN Sept. 1983
New Applications	25,741	16,002	13,129	8,765	10,229	4,028	1,615	1,485
Testing	1,814	1,832	1,186	1,275	314	425	106	111
Enrolled in Training	1,331	295	713	151	1,102	149	15	8
Nonagricultural Placement	12,865	9,235	5,936	4,303	6,534	3,761	1,131	959
Counseling	1,444	1,504	860	952	489	590	187	225

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Weekly Hours Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Hourly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
All Manufacturing	$281.69	$306.41	$313.18	38.8	40.8	41.1	$7.26	$7.51	$7.62
Durable Goods	292.14	320.62	329.96	38.9	41.0	41.4	7.51	7.82	7.97
Lumber & Wood Prod.	195.97	218.30	221.35	38.2	40.5	40.1	5.13	5.39	5.52
Furniture & Fixtures	234.02	252.97	250.48	39.8	41.2	40.4	5.88	6.14	6.20
Stone,Clay & Glass Prod.	382.63	401.88	401.88	42.8	43.4	43.4	8.94	9.26	9.26
Primary Metal Prod.	409.94	437.12	469.60	37.2	40.7	41.4	11.02	10.74	10.86
Fabricated Metal Prod.	321.55	331.59	344.84	40.6	41.5	41.9	7.92	7.99	8.23
Machinery, Incl. Elect.	267.29	301.55	305.02	37.7	40.1	40.4	7.09	7.52	7.55
Instru. & Related Prod.	253.84	292.63	301.86	39.6	41.1	42.1	6.41	7.12	7.17
Nondurable Goods	273.61	293.63	298.66	38.7	40.5	40.8	7.07	7.25	7.32
Food & Kindred Prod.	293.72	310.08	312.98	39.8	39.5	40.7	7.38	7.85	7.69
Textile Mill Prod.	212.81	248.47	249.55	37.8	41.9	41.8	5.63	5.93	5.97
Apparel	174.46	186.60	186.98	36.2	38.2	38.1	4.82	4.89	4.96
Paper & Allied Prod.	381.56	456.71	459.36	41.7	46.9	47.8	9.15	9.61	9.61
Chemical & Allied Prod.	397.44	404.84	425.38	41.4	41.1	42.2	9.60	9.85	10.08
Rubber & Plastic Prod.	318.40	362.96	365.51	39.9	42.8	42.7	7.98	8.48	8.56
Leather & Leather Prod.	205.13	212.94	210.60	38.2	39.0	38.5	5.37	5.46	5.47

TENNESSEE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES: 1981, 1982, and 1983
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



CHATTANOOGA SMSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Net Change Sept.1982 to Sept.1983	Net Change Aug. 1983 to Sept.1983
TOTAL	163.5	161.7	164.8	+1.3	+3.1
Manufacturing	42.7	42.3	42.5	-0.2	+0.2
Durable Goods	11.3	17.2	17.3	0.0	+0.1
Lumber (except furniture)	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.2	0.0
Stone, Clay and Glass	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
Primary Metals	4.3	4.6	4.7	+0.4	+0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	5.7	5.0	4.9	-0.8	-0.1
Machinery	2.1	2.3	2.4	+0.3	+0.1
All Other	3.3	3.6	3.6	+0.3	0.0
Nondurable Goods	25.4	25.1	25.2	-0.2	+0.1
Food Products	5.4	5.3	5.4	0.0	+0.1
Textile Mill Products	10.1	10.2	10.2	+0.1	0.0
Knitting Mills	2.6	2.8	2.9	+0.3	+0.1
Apparel	1.0	1.2	1.2	+0.2	0.0
Paper Products	1.1	1.2	1.2	+0.1	0.0
Printing and Publishing	1.8	1.9	1.9	+0.1	0.0
Chemicals	4.5	3.9	3.9	-0.6	0.0
All Other	1.5	1.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	120.8	119.4	122.3	+1.5	+2.9
Mining	1.5	1.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0
Construction	6.2	6.8	6.8	+0.6	0.0
Trans., Comm. and Public Util.	7.5	6.9	7.1	-0.4	+0.2
Trade	35.6	36.3	36.6	+1.0	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	8.5	8.6	8.6	+0.1	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	5.2	5.4	5.4	+0.2	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	3.3	3.2	3.2	-0.1	0.0
Retail Trade	27.1	27.7	28.0	+0.9	+0.3
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	9.9	10.7	10.8	+0.9	+0.1
Service	28.5	28.6	28.3	-0.2	-0.3
Government	31.6	28.7	31.3	-0.3	+2.6
Federal	9.0	8.7	8.7	-0.3	0.0
State and Local	22.6	20.0	22.6	0.0	+2.6

Includes Hamilton, Marion, Sequatchie Counties, Tennessee and Catoosa, Dade, Walker Counties, Georgia.

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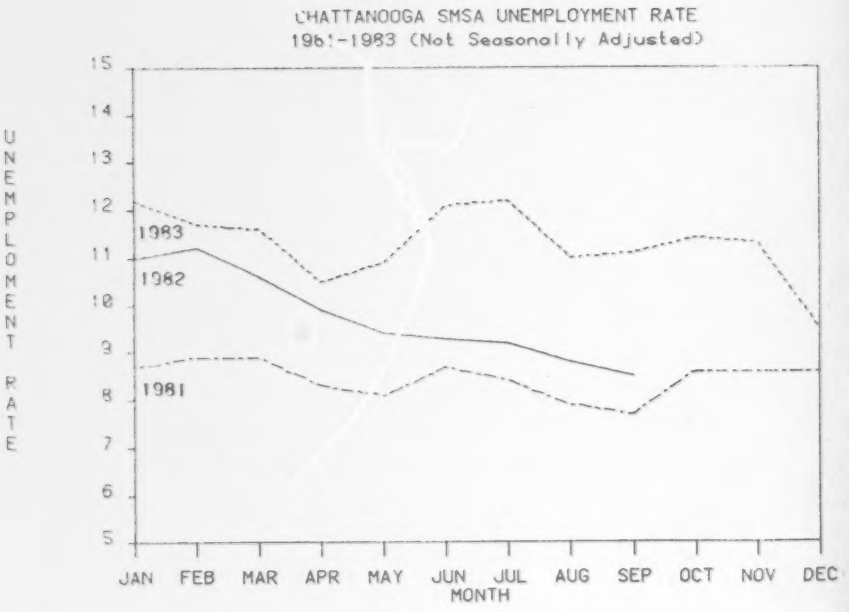
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL Aug. 1983	TOTAL Sept. 1983	FEMALE Aug. 1983	FEMALE Sept. 1983	NON-WHITE Aug. 1983	NON-WHITE Sept. 1983	VETERAN Aug. 1983	VETERAN Sept. 1983
New Applications	1,988	1,203	957	611	806	332	129	200
Testing	99	167	81	114	33	46	1	13
Enrolled in Training	12	0	7	0	3	0	0	0
Nonagricultural Placement	874	360	420	158	542	79	70	66
Counseling	251	180	83	118	52	58	24	23

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Weekly Hours Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Hourly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
All Manufacturing	$285.05	$304.56	$311.10	39.7	42.3	42.5	$7.18	$7.20	$7.32
Durable Goods	318.30	341.07	356.55	39.2	41.9	42.7	8.12	8.14	8.35
Stone,Clay & Glass Prod.	354.09	381.47	378.30	37.0	38.3	39.0	9.57	9.96	9.70
Iron & Steel Foundries	283.50	302.10	321.11	37.8	38.0	39.4	7.50	7.95	8.15
Fab. Metal Prod.	417.73	417.31	469.20	42.8	43.2	46.0	9.76	9.66	10.20
Machinery, Exc. Elect.	304.47	433.09	428.49	41.2	53.6	52.9	7.39	8.08	8.10
Nondurable Goods	262.40	279.03	279.84	40.0	42.6	42.4	6.56	6.55	6.60
Textile Mill Prod.	212.93	250.38	246.32	39.8	46.8	45.7	5.35	5.35	5.39
Knitting Mills	191.66	216.56	213.74	39.6	45.4	43.8	4.84	4.77	4.88
Paper & Allied Prod.	314.42	419.49	416.05	41.7	47.4	46.8	7.54	8.85	8.89
Chem. & Allied Prod.	390.51	401.13	398.59	40.3	40.6	40.1	9.69	9.88	9.94



KNOXVILLE SMSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Net Change Sept.1982 to Sept. 1983	Net Change Aug. 1983 to Sept.1983
TOTAL	205.9	200.0	201.3	-4.6	+1.3
Manufacturing	49.4	49.2	49.5	+0.1	+0.3
Durable Goods	15.3	14.7	14.9	-0.4	+0.2
Lumber (except furniture)	1.1	1.6	1.6	+0.5	0.0
Furniture and Fixtures	0.5	0.4	0.4	-0.1	0.0
Stone, Clay and Glass	1.0	1.1	1.1	+0.1	0.0
Machinery (except elect.)	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1	0.0
All Other	10.1	9.1	9.3	-0.8	+0.2
Nondurable Goods	34.1	34.5	34.6	+0.5	+0.1
Food Products	4.1	3.8	3.8	-0.3	0.0
Textile Mill Products	2.2	2.4	2.5	+0.3	+0.1
Apparel	6.6	7.0	7.0	+0.4	0.0
Printing and Publishing	2.2	2.3	2.3	+0.1	0.0
All Other	19.0	19.0	19.0	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	156.5	150.8	151.8	-4.7	+1.0
Mining	1.6	1.3	1.3	-0.3	0.0
Construction	9.4	9.8	10.0	+0.6	+0.2
Trans., Comm. and Public Util.	8.4	7.6	7.6	-0.8	0.0
Trade	45.5	45.0	44.7	-1.8	-0.3
Wholesale Trade	11.7	11.7	11.6	-0.1	-0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	7.5	7.2	7.2	-0.3	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	4.2	4.5	4.4	+0.2	-0.1
Retail Trade	33.8	33.3	33.1	-0.7	-0.2
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	9.0	8.2	8.2	-0.8	0.0
Service	39.2	37.4	37.3	-1.9	-0.1
Government	43.4	41.5	42.7	-0.7	+1.2
Federal	8.9	8.9	9.3	+0.4	+0.4
State and Local	34.5	32.6	33.4	-1.1	+0.8

Includes Anderson, Blount, Knox and Union Counties, Tennessee and all of Oak Ridge.

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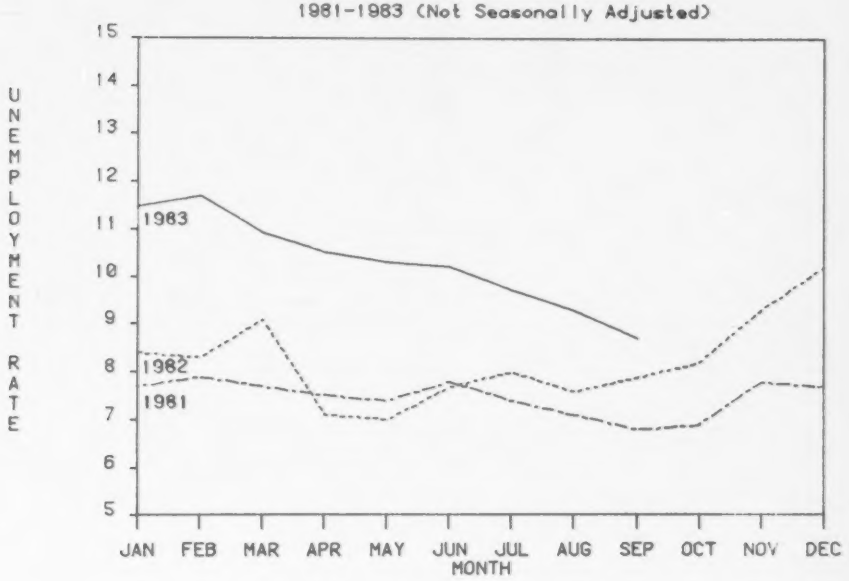
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL Aug. 1983	TOTAL Sept. 1983	FEMALE Aug. 1983	FEMALE Sept. 1983	NON-WHITE Aug. 1983	NON-WHITE Sept. 1983	VETERAN Aug. 1983	VETERAN Sept. 1983
New Applications	1,984	1,625	989	840	230	197	273	224
Testing	50	45	29	29	2	6	13	11
Enrolled in Training	15	9	12	6	2	2	1	0
Nonagricultural Placement	712	627	289	302	69	88	123	101
Counseling	144	132	67	80	12	16	19	20

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Weekly Hours Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Hourly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
All Manufacturing	$336.10	$357.24	$362.64	38.9	40.0	40.7	$8.64	$8.93	$8.91
Durable Goods	369.98	396.47	407.53	38.3	41.0	42.1	9.66	9.67	9.68
Stone,Clay & Glass Prod.	299.20	416.16	380.51	40.0	39.9	36.8	7.48	10.43	10.34
Machinery, Exc. Elec.	285.74	338.80	339.06	38.2	40.0	41.5	7.48	8.47	8.17
Nondurable Goods	313.22	331.75	331.13	39.3	39.4	39.8	7.97	8.42	8.37
Food & Kindred Prod.	265.00	255.45	294.99	43.3	39.3	41.2	6.12	6.50	7.16
Textile Mill Prod.	180.41	216.00	208.55	36.3	40.0	39.8	4.97	5.40	5.24
Apparel & Oth. Tex.Prod.	194.90	227.90	223.38	35.5	37.3	36.8	5.49	6.11	6.07

KNOXVILLE SMSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
1981-1983 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



MEMPHIS SMSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Net Change Sept. 1982 to Sept. 1983	Net Change Aug. 1983 to Sept.1983
TOTAL	348.0	340.5	345.1	-2.9	+4.6
Manufacturing	53.6	51.9	51.6	-2.0	+0.3
Durable Goods	22.5	22.4	22.5	0.0	+0.1
Lumber (except furniture)	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	0.0
Sawmills and Planing Mills	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0
Furniture and Fixtures	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	4.7	4.7	4.8	+0.1	+0.1
Nonelectrical Machinery	3.5	3.6	3.6	+0.1	0.0
Electrical Machinery	3.1	3.0	2.9	-0.2	-0.1
All Other	6.1	6.1	6.2	+0.1	+0.1
Nondurable Goods	31.1	29.5	29.1	-2.0	-0.4
Food Products	8.2	8.2	8.0	-0.2	-0.2
Bakery Products	1.3	1.2	1.2	-0.1	0.0
Apparel	1.9	1.9	2.0	+0.1	+0.1
Paper Products	6.2	5.7	5.7	-0.5	0.0
Printing and Publishing	4.1	4.2	4.2	+0.1	0.0
Chemicals	7.0	6.8	6.6	-0.4	-0.2
All Other	3.7	2.7	2.6	-1.1	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	294.4	288.6	293.5	-0.9	+4.9
Mining	0.1	0.2	0.2	+0.1	0.0
Construction	12.3	11.9	12.1	-0.2	+0.2
Trans., Comm. and Public Util.	26.2	24.7	25.4	-0.8	+0.7
Trade	94.5	95.0	95.0	+0.5	0.0
Wholesale	31.8	31.3	31.3	-0.5	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	18.5	18.11	18.1	-0.4	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	13.3	13.2	13.2	-0.1	0.0
Retail	62.7	63.7	63.7	+1.0	0.0
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	19.5	20.3	20.2	+0.7	-0.1
Service	79.5	78.8	79.1	-0.4	+0.3
Government	62.3	57.7	61.5	-0.8	+3.8
Federal	15.4	14.9	14.8	-0.6	+0.1
State and Local	46.9	42.8	46.7	-0.2	+3.9

Includes Shelby and Tipton Counties, Tennessee and Crittendon County, Arkansas.
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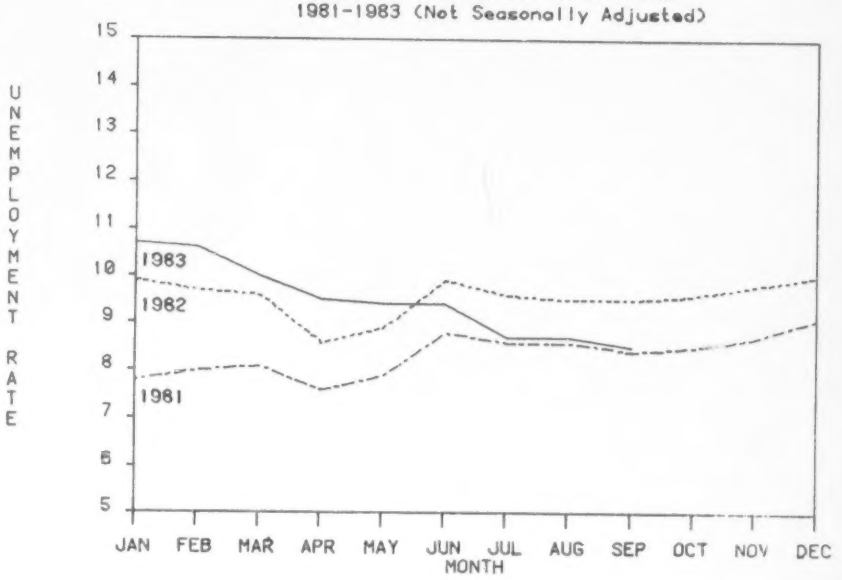
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL Aug. 1983	TOTAL Sept. 1983	FEMALE Aug. 1983	FEMALE Sept. 1983	NON-WHITE Aug. 1983	NON-WHITE Sept. 1983	VETERAN Aug. 1983	VETERAN Sept. 1983
New Applications	8,067	2,769	4,003	1,543	6,926	1,837	227	200
Testing	180	281	154	196	95	184	6	23
Enrolled in Training	1,001	89	523	38	1,001	308	1	1
Nonagricultural Placement	5,075	3,214	2,305	1,499	4,651	2,741	139	124
Counseling	5,395	444	243	366	225	365	26	28

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Weekly Hours Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Average Hourly Earnings Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
All Manufacturing	$313.24	$331.25	$338.62	39.5	41.2	41.6	$7.93	$8.04	$8.14
Durable Goods	268.27	289.69	298.15	38.6	39.2	39.7	6.95	7.39	7.51
Lumber & Wood Prod.	183.39	208.69	216.30	36.9	41.0	41.2	4.97	5.09	5.25
Furniture & Fixtures	212.62	218.65	211.75	37.5	36.2	34.6	5.67	6.04	6.12
Nondurable Goods	353.10	368.94	377.15	40.4	43.0	43.5	8.74	8.58	8.67
Food & Kindred Prod.	310.03	390.22	387.34	38.9	42.6	42.8	7.97	9.16	9.05
Paper & Allied Prod.	383.04	408.67	429.34	44.8	47.3	48.9	8.55	8.64	8.78
Chem. & Allied Prod.	445.28	441.37	450.92	43.4	43.7	42.3	10.26	10.10	10.66

MEMPHIS SMSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
1981-1983 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



NASHVILLE SMSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT(in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Sept.1982 to Sept.1983	Aug. 1983 to Sept.1983
TOTAL	365.5	359.8	362.9	-2.6	+3.1
Manufacturing	76.7	78.2	78.5	+1.8	+0.3
Durable Goods	38.1	40.0	40.1	+2.0	+0.1
Lumber (except furniture)	1.5	1.6	1.6	+0.1	0.0
Furniture and Fixtures	3.5	3.5	3.6	+0.1	+0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	6.2	6.3	6.3	+0.1	0.0
Machinery	11.9	12.4	12.2	+0.3	-0.2
Transportation Equipment	8.6	9.5	9.6	+1.0	-0.2
All Other	6.4	6.9	7.0	+0.6	+0.1
Nondurable Goods	38.6	38.2	38.4	-0.2	+0.2
Food Products	7.6	7.3	7.4	-0.2	+0.1
Textile Mill Products	1.5	1.7	1.7	+0.2	0.0
Apparel	4.5	4.6	4.6	+0.1	0.0
Printing and Publishing	10.8	10.7	10.6	+0.2	-0.1
Petroleum and Rubber	3.3	3.1	3.2	-0.1	+0.1
Leather	4.6	4.7	4.7	+0.1	0.0
All Other	6.3	6.2	6.2	-0.1	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	288.8	281.6	284.4	-4.4	+2.8
Construction	19.5	19.6	19.8	+0.3	+0.2
Trans., Comm. & Public Util.	19.2	18.1	18.8	-0.4	+0.7
Trade	88.5	84.1	85.3	-3.2	+1.2
Wholesale	22.5	22.7	22.7	+0.2	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	13.6	13.7	13.7	+0.1	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	8.9	9.1	9.0	+0.1	-0.1
Retail Trade	66.0	61.4	62.6	-3.4	+1.2
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	25.2	25.2	25.0	-0.2	-0.2
Service and Miscellaneous	76.7	75.3	75.4	-1.3	+0.1
Government	59.7	59.2	60.0	+0.3	+0.8
Federal	8.9	9.3	9.2	+0.3	-0.1
State and Local	50.8	49.9	50.9	+0.1	+1.0

Includes Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson Counties, Tennessee.

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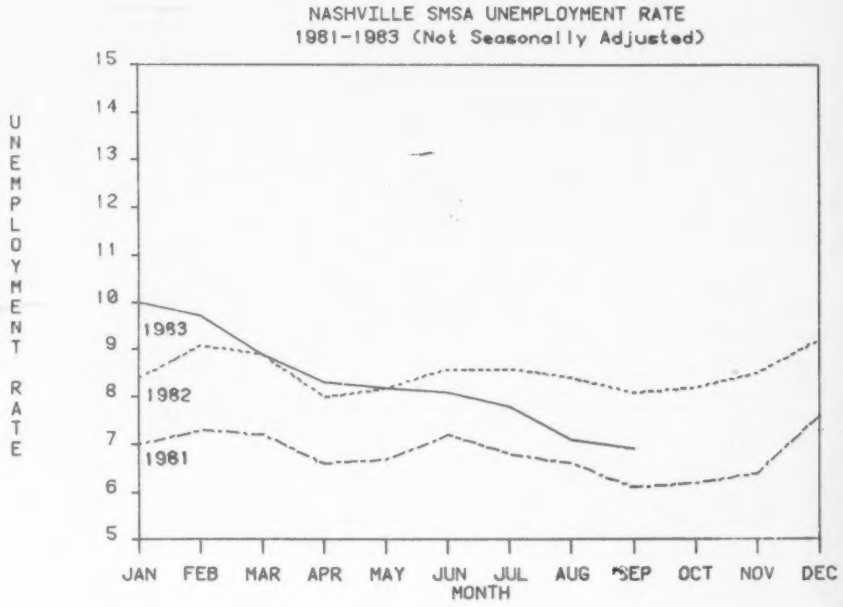
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL		FEMALE		NON-WHITE		VETERAN	
	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
New Applications	4,436	3,409	2,136	1,728	1,288	924	300	298
Testing	585	398	311	227	63	64	32	12
Enrolled in Training	47	58	41	45	24	29	0	1
Nonagricultural Placement	1,771	1,547	768	623	704	414	250	225
Counseling	249	248	139	82	86	70	36	89

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Weekly Earnings		
	Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983
All Manufacturing	$314.01	$337.43	$334.92	39.3	41.0	40.4	$7.99	$8.23	$8.29
Durable Goods	312.62	342.72	345.72	38.5	40.8	40.2	8.12	8.40	8.60
Nondurable Goods	316.76	331.23	322.34	40.3	41.3	40.7	7.86	8.02	7.92
Food & Kindred Prod.	354.38	365.44	353.62	41.4	41.2	41.7	8.56	8.87	8.48
Printing & Publishing	347.13	369.73	359.68	40.6	42.4	41.2	8.55	8.72	8.73



TRI-CITIES SMSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	September 1982	August 1983	September 1983	Net Change Aug. 1983 to Sept. 1983	Net Change Sept. 1982 to Sept. 1983
TOTAL	128.6	134.1	135.3	+6.7	+1.2
Manufacturing	49.6	51.3	51.9	+2.3	+0.6
Durable Goods	17.8	51.3	20.5	+2.7	+0.5
Lumber and Wood Products & Furniture and Fixtures	1.3	1.6	1.5	+0.2	-0.1
Stone, Clay and Glass	2.0	2.1	2.3	+0.3	+0.2
Primary Metals & Fabricated Metal Products	4.5	4.3	4.5	0.0	+0.2
All Other Durable Goods	10.0	12.0	12.2	+2.2	+0.2
Nondurable Goods	31.8	31.3	31.4	-0.4	+0.1
Food Products	3.1	2.9	3.0	-0.1	+0.1
Textile Mill Products	2.6	2.4	2.4	-0.2	0.0
Apparel	4.1	4.0	3.9	-0.2	-0.1
Paper and Allied Products & Printing and Publishing	5.9	5.6	5.7	-0.2	+0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	16.1	16.4	16.4	+0.3	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	79.0	82.8	83.4	+4.4	+0.6
Construction	6.3	6.1	6.0	-0.3	-0.1
Trans., Comm. and Public Util.	5.0	4.6	4.7	-0.3	+0.1
Trade	24.3	24.1	23.9	-0.4	-0.2
Wholesale Trade	5.6	5.7	5.6	0.0	-0.1
Retail Trade	18.7	18.4	18.3	-0.4	-0.1
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	4.4	4.7	4.8	+0.4	+0.1
Services	18.5	20.1	20.1	+1.6	0.0
Government	20.3	22.9	23.7	+3.4	+0.8
All Other Nonmanufacturing	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1

Includes Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Sullivan, and Hawkins Counties, Tennessee and Washington and Scott Counties and Bristol City, Virginia.
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EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	TOTAL Aug. 1983	TOTAL Sept. 1983	FEMALE Aug. 1983	FEMALE Sept. 1983	NON-WHITE Aug. 1983	NON-WHITE Sept. 1983	VETERAN Aug. 1983	VETERAN Sept. 1983
New Applications	1,381	856	691	520	65	30	117	68
Testing	15	36	8	26	0	0	0	3
Enrolled in Training	29	5	18	2	5	1	4	0
Nonagricultural Placement	547	214	230	88	33	15	81	35
Counseling	90	83	54	51	3	2	7	4

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY (in thousands)

	TENNESSEE PORTION Sept. 1982	TENNESSEE PORTION Aug. 1983	TENNESSEE PORTION Sept. 1983	VIRGINIA PORTION Sept. 1982	VIRGINIA PORTION Aug. 1983	VIRGINIA PORTION Sept. 1983
Civilian Labor Force	146.3	152.6	152.5	39.8	40.9	40.4
Unemployment	16.8	16.2	15.0	4.4	3.2	2.7
Percent of Labor Force	11.5	10.6	9.8	11.1	7.8	6.7
Total Employment**	129.5	136.4	137.5	35.4	37.7	37.7

**Includes persons involved in labor-management disputes.

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) 1/

INDUSTRY	TENNESSEE PORTION Sept. 1982	TENNESSEE PORTION Aug. 1983	TENNESSEE PORTION Sept. 1983	VIRGINIA PORTION Sept. 1982	VIRGINIA PORTION Aug. 1983	VIRGINIA PORTION Sept. 1983
TOTAL	100.8	107.7	108.8	27.8	26.4	26.5
Manufacturing	40.6	43.0	43.5	9.0	8.3	8.4
Durable Goods	13.2	15.9	16.3	4.6	4.1	4.2
Lumber and Wood Products & Furniture and Fixtures	1.1	1.4	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Stone, Clay and Glass	1.7	1.8	2.0	0.3	0.3	0.3
Primary Metals & Fabricated Metal Products	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.1	1.9	1.9
All Other Durable Goods	8.0	10.3	10.4	2.0	1.7	1.8
Nondurable Goods	27.4	27.1	27.2	4.4	4.2	4.2
Food Products	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.6
Textile Mill Products	2.5	2.3	2.3	0.1	0.1	0.1
Apparel	2.3	2.3	2.2	1.8	1.7	1.7
Paper and Allied Products & Printing and Publishing	5.5	5.2	5.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
All Other Nondurable Goods	15.7	16.0	16.0	0.4	0.4	0.4
Nonmanufacturing	60.2	64.7	65.3	18.8	18.1	18.1
Construction	5.5	5.1	5.0	0.8	1.0	1.0
Trans., Comm. and Public Util.	3.8	3.5	3.6	1.2	1.1	1.1
Trade	17.2	17.4	17.4	7.1	6.7	6.5
Wholesale Trade	4.1	4.3	4.3	1.5	1.4	1.3
Retail Trade	13.1	13.1	13.1	5.6	5.3	5.2
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	3.4	3.7	3.8	1.0	1.0	1.0
Services	14.9	16.7	16.6	3.6	3.4	3.5
Government	15.4	18.2	18.9	4.9	4.7	4.8
All Other Nonmanufacturing	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2

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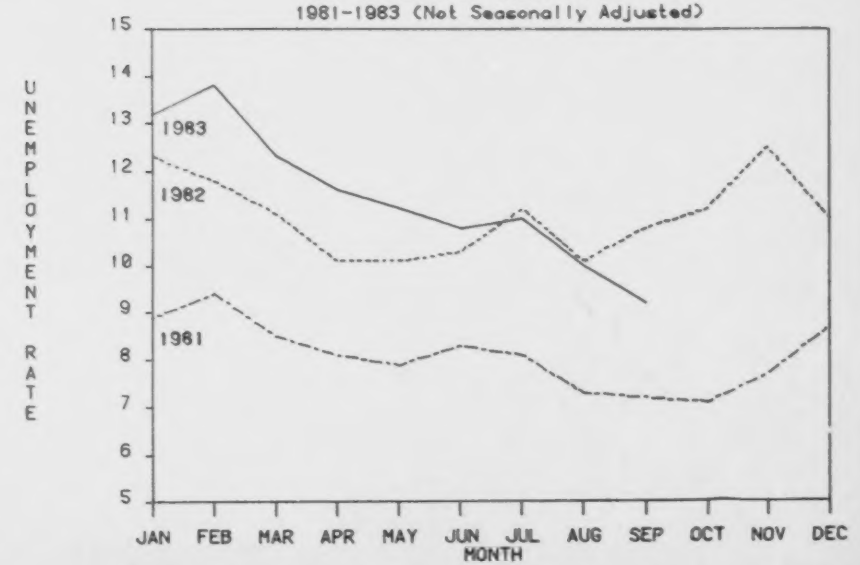

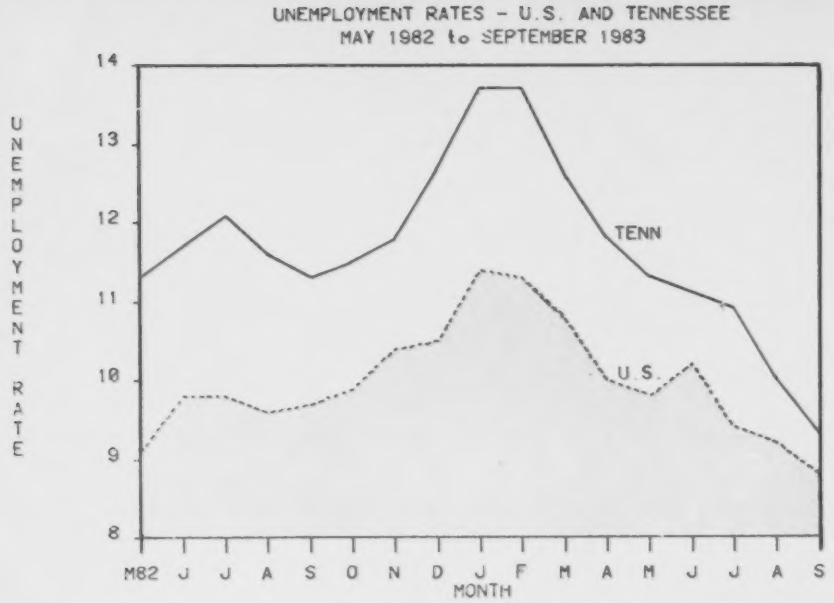

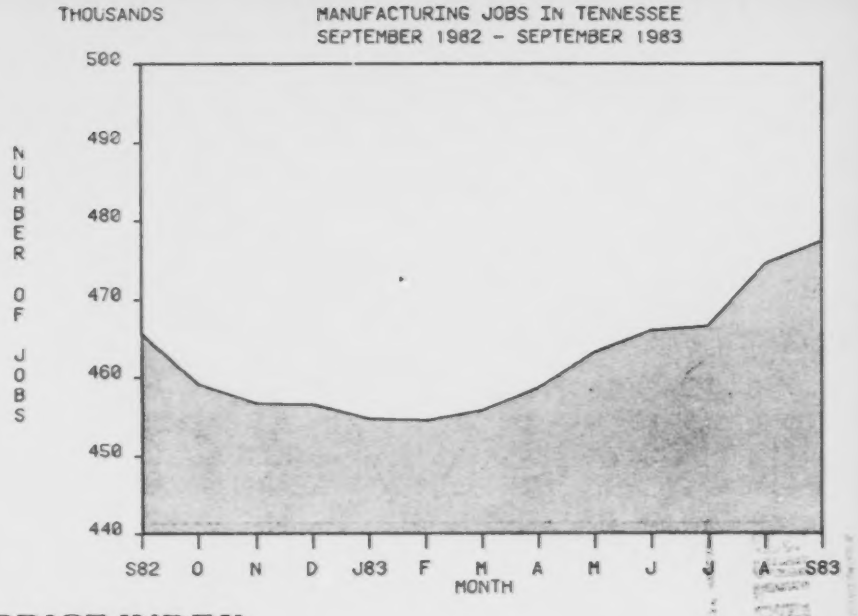

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

CPI-U (All Urban Consumers)

	Sept. 1982	Aug. 1983	Sept. 1983	Percent Change from Sept. 1982 to Sept. 1983	Percent Change from Aug. 1983 to Sept. 1983
(1967=100)All Items	293.3	300.3	301.8	2.9	0.5

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